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Beginning with the origin of district nursing and its development, Miss Jacques takes up the type of nurse required for this work and the various specialties, such as school nursing, tuberculosis crusade work, and the work among people of small means who are able and anxious to pay for the services of the visiting nurse; the right way to start a visiting nurses' association and to plan for dividing the city or town into districts, obtaining co-operation of other societies, the question of wearing a uniform, the need of nurses knowing more than one language, etc., treating each question in a highly discursive manner and interlarding "business" with illustrative narrative.

It is with surprise that one reads that advertising is of value to the success of any district nursing enterprise; your reviewer having some experience in the work has found that the poor fear and detest having their misfortunes paraded before the public, and more than once has heard and carefully heeded the pitiful request that some particularly appealing story might be kept from getting into the papers; and it has been a sort of test of the moral character of the unfortunate ones, whether or not they wished to appeal to the public for aid. It seems highly unprofessional to resort to such means for procuring help to carry on a work of this kind! One would as soon expect a doctor to enliven a dinner party by relating the confidences of his patients. After reading this chapter (No. XV) one is forced to the conclusion that before she can become a teacher of district nurses Miss Jacques has something to learn on the subject of district nursing.

A CORRECTION

IN the Nursing News of the November JOURNAL, under the heading Massachusetts, the name of Sarah Beatty was given as Susan E. Bratty. This is one of the cases where a handwriting which is good to look upon is illegible when it comes to proper names. We do not hold ourselves responsible for getting names correct unless they are type-written. If the sender of items cannot do this, it is safer to print all proper names.